

I am a Washington DC area resident, and XM traffic and weather has been very useful to me on several occasions. Often, when I begin driving, I've needed crucial information to plan my trip around the metro area sooner than the 10 minute rotation it's been available on WTOP. I've been able to avoid gridlocked roads, take alternate routes, etc.

Also, when I was in Philadelphia recently, I was able to tune into XM traffic and weather for that metro area, and was able to determine that the traffic jam I was in would soon clear up. I would have had no idea what station to tune into on AM or FM in that area.

I think there is room for everyone in providing traffic and weather. I still listen to WTOP quite often, because I enjoy their service as well. I do pay for my satellite service, and do not think that it is fair for the broadcasters to protest XM's delivery of this service, and request that you reject petition 04-160.